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from the **PRESIDENT'S DESK**

The history of elongated coins has a great association with Chicago. They (elongated coins) first appeared at the Columbian Exposition in Chicago in 1893; TEC was organized in 1966 (which was the last time the ANA held it's convention in Chicago) and we were back again in 1991 to celebrate our 25th anniversary.

It was a great convention for both the ANA and TEC. Elongated coins were everywhere! In addition to the Official ANA elongated, the TEC badges and TEC hand-out coins, the following personal and store card coins were available. Ken Hallenbeck (ANA Centennial President), Ruthann Brettell (ANA Convention Co-ordinator), Michigan State Numismatic Society, Great Lakes Coin Co., Gary Adkins Coins, Mid Continent Coin Co., Frank Brazzell, Ginnie Aldridge, Angelo Rosato, Ralph Jobe, Jack Pryor, Ray Dillard and the ANA Anniversary Silver Dollar.

And if that wasn't enough, I was asked to roll 600 quarters and some nickels (I ran out of quarters.) to be placed at each place setting at the banquet. -- I think that all will agree that our hobby was well represented!

When I first located our booth I was surprised to find that we were not on the Demonstration Midway as we were supposed to be. We were on the Club Midway instead. I couldn't find anyone to change it so I went ahead and set up. Later, I was asked if I wanted to move, but I decided that it would be too much trouble. As it developed, we got much more traffic where we were, so it turned out for the best.

It was a busy week. The records are not clear for reasons that I will explain later, but we sold approximately 500 ANA elongated cents, 150 ANA 6-coin sets of the TEC hand-out coin, and gave away several thousand coins. (TEC hand-out, Michigan State Numismatic Society and personals by Angelo Rosato and myself.) Plus - 500 copies of a special ANA issue of TEC News. Several thousand additional coins were handed out in the Hospitality Room.

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DEADLINE NOTICE

Deadline for articles and ads for January, February, March, 1992 issue is Dec. 15, 1991 Send as soon as possible!

from the PRESIDENT'S DESK (continued)

In addition, we signed up a number of new members, publicized Angelo Rosato's book and Miles Romney's Elongated Vending-type machine. Further, I sold out of my Elongated ANA 100th Anniversary Silver Dollars.

I wish to express my appreciation to the following members who worked at the booth - Miles Romney, Rocky Rockholt, Carl Neal, Ginnie Aldridge, Reva Kline, Ginnie Wilkinson, Gus Meccarello, Ethel Peterson and Mike Gallant. Don Wilkinson was busy with his machine at the Numismatic News booth. (Romney and Gallant helped him out on occasion.) Gus promoted Rosato's book (sold four). He also did his usual good job of promoting new members. Miles demonstrated and promoted his fantastic machine (the only fully automatic machine that I have ever seen that offers a choice of four different elongated coins.) He also helped out where ever he could. Ginnie Wilkinson did what she does best, met the public, made sales, promoted new members and kept records. The others pitched in and helped where they could. When we got to rolling (no pun intended), we made a good team.

I kept busy rolling coins on my manual machine, conducting demonstrations, explaining the process and background of elongated coins, meeting members and new friends. I was especially pleased to meet Ralph Jobe for the first time and Shel Green and Burton Levy for the first time in a long while, not to mention the many, many other members that attend most ANA Conventions.

I was also pleased to meet Miss Laura Mooberry. Laura is one of our young new members. She lives in the Chicago area. What an enthusiastic young lady! Among other things, she put together a prize-winning exhibit of elongated coins that demonstrated a lot of research and talent. She bought many elongated coins at the convention along with a copy of Rosato's book. She also had some special coins rolled. It was nice to see that she had the complete support of her family. They seemed very proud of her and I am sure that we will hear more about this young lady in the future.

Our Board of Directors met on Thursday, August 15th. It was well attended and we reviewed and formulated items to be presented at our Membership Meeting which followed immediately in the same room.

The Membership Meeting was a delight! The room was full, in excess of 60 people, standing room only! Dignitaries in attendance included Ken Hallenbeck, President of the ANA, Florence Schook, past President of the ANA, John Wilson, General Chairman of the Convention, (all three active members of TEC), plus Charter Members Sally Kirka, Ralph Jobe and Steve Penzes. Representatives from Coin World and Numismatic News were also there.

Highlights of the meeting included bestowing the honor of Numismatic Ambassador on TEC Governor Reva Kline by Bo Smith, Editor of Numismatic News. The ceremony had been planned long in advance, but was a well-kept secret. It was a complete surprise to Reva. We are very proud and fortunate to have Reva on our team of officers.

The members voted to award an Honorary Life Membership to Angelo Rosato in recognition of his major contribution to the hobby as author and publisher of "The Encyclopedia of the Modern Elongated". This book was 22 years in the making.

from the PRESIDENT'S DESK (continued)

It was announced that all of the existing Officers and Directors had accepted nominations to succeed themselves for another two year term and that there were no other candidates. Considering this, the Chair stated that it had been decided to avoid the expense of a formal election and suggested that the existing officers should be declared re-elected by acclamation. This was moved, supported and approved.

It was also announced that Jim Singleton had decided not to continue as Editor of TEC News. This will be his last issue and I will take full responsibility for it being late.

Craig Whitford of Lansing, Michigan was present and was introduced as our newly appointed Editor. All future information for TEC News should be sent to him at the following address: Craig A. Whitford, Editor TEC News, 634 W. Madison, Lansing, MI 48906.

It was further announced that Ginnie Aldridge will continue to serve as Club Historian.

The Treasurer's Report indicated that our Treasury was holding its own as a result of money making projects but was losing money on each new member due to rising postage and printing costs. A special committee appointed earlier to study the problem recommended doubling the annual dues from \$5.00 to \$10.00 for regular membership \$2.50 to \$5.00 for Juniors. Dues increases are never popular but after reasonable discussion it was overwhelmingly approved by the members present. This is the first increase in over 10 years that I have been a member of TEC.

A proposal on Paid Life Memberships appeared destined for defeat and was tabled for further study.

Members and guests were given the chance to purchase original artwork and cancelled dies by Lloyd Wagaman. Lloyd was a talented designer and hand engraver of many classic elongated coins, but is no longer active. He is also a Charter Member and was the second President of TEC. The sale of these items at \$1.00 each, along with a lively auction raised almost \$300.00 for our treasury. The only available 1991 Enameled Silver Convention Badge brought a record price of \$70.00.

The \$300.00 total was also a record. We are grateful to all that donated auction items. Frank Brazzell did not attend the convention. However, the goodie bags he sent for hand-outs were appreciated, as were the coins and cards provided by Angelo Rosato and the coins provided by Ralph Jobe.

Our hotel accommodations were outstanding. Although we were seven miles from the convention center, not enough can be said about the comfort, free breakfast, parking, shuttle service and other perks, all at convention rates. The Hampton Inn is highly recommended as an economy hotel.

After the convention, Carl Neal and I drove to Iola, Wisconsin for "A Day in Iola" and were guests of Numismatic News and Krause Publications. It was like a continuation of the convention, only nothing was for sale. Over 300 Conventioneers made the trip.

The day consisted of a tour of their mammoth facilities, continuous refreshments, good food, good cheer, fun, relaxation and entertainment, capped off with a steak dinner late in the day. Chet Krause and his staff were gracious hosts.

The day also provided the opportunity to mingle with friends and business associates under more casual circumstances. I was surprised to learn of all the different hobby publications that Krause Publications are involved with, other than coins.

Appreciation: I know that the members of TEC want to join me in expressing appreciation to Jim and Sandy Singleton for the outstanding service that they have given to our organization over the last two years. I am sure that most are aware that even though Jim was the official Editor, Sandy did a lot of the work. Actually, that is the main reason that Jim requested to be replaced. Sandy has returned to the work force after taking time to raise her children. Along with other duties, Jim found it more than he wanted to handle without her full time assistance. We hate to see you go, but wish you well in your endeavors. TEC has prospered from the efforts of both of you. Thanks very much for your dedicated service.

Condolences: The convention went well, but all did not end well. I am sure that most of you are aware of the tragic accident befallen the Wilkinsons!

Don and Gin traveled extensively before and after the convention visiting friends and relatives, including an overnight stay at our house. After being gone for three weeks they were in an auto accident less than 150 miles from home. The family reports that Gin was driving and apparently fell asleep at the wheel. They went off the road and hit a tree. Gin was killed and Don was seriously injured, including a crushed hip, with his leg broken in two places. This happened at 3:00a.m. Saturday, August 31st. They were so close to home that they had decided to drive straight through and avoid spending another day on the road. What a tragedy and terrible shock!

Neither Don nor Gin are from the New Orleans area. Gin's funeral will be delayed until Don can attend. She will be buried in the Wilkinsons family plot in Door Village which is a suburb of LaPorte, Indiana.

Late word is that Don is in East Jefferson Hospital, 4200 Houma Blvd, Metairie, LA 70011, Room #910. Surgery on his hip has not progressed well and he may have to have the hip joint replaced. His spirits are as good as can be expected, but the funeral for Gin has again been delayed. It is now scheduled for late October. Don, I know that all members of TEC join with me in this expression of sympathy to you and your family and extend wishes for your speedy recovery. (Members are urged to send their personal messages to either the hospital or the home address.)

The President's message has been difficult for me to write. Knowing of the tragedy, I was torn between writing about the bad news before the good news. The accident report was a tremendous shock to me and my family as I know it must have been to others that spent so much time with them recently. They were a dynamic duo as Treasurer and Secretary of TEC. They extended themselves to serve our organization and it's members, especially the Junioe Members. Their enthusiasm was contagious. They served our organization well.

from the PRESIDENT'S DESK (continued)

Now - Don's activities will be slowed down and Gin's services will be lost forever. She will be desperately missed and difficult to replace. In the mean-time the operations of TEC will be slowed down, but it will not stop. Correspondence should continue to be sent to the Wilkinson address. After a settling period the family will attempt to get things straightened out and Lowell Lundberg has volunteered to assist in any way that he can. Lowell is an experienced Secretary for several fraternal organizations and is a reasonably close neighbor of the Wilkinsons.

I sincerely appreciate the offers of temporary help that we have received to date, and solicit a volunteer to fill the important office of Secretary of TEC.

Ray Dillard, President

Notes from your editor.....

This issue of the TEC News is dedicated to the memory of Imogen "Ginnie" Wilkinson, December 26, 1931 - August 31, 1991.

During my tenure as editor of TEC, I have witnessed the tireless devotion of Ginnie as Secretary to the TEC. Constant updates of the membership roll, with all necessary address changes, secretary's minutes, articles for the Junior-Member Corner - were just a small portion of the efforts Ginnie gave to the TEC. Her cheerful and willing assistance was most appreciated. It was evident that Ginnie really enjoyed her involvement with the TEC and gave 100% of her time and talents.

This is a very sad time for Don and his children and grandchildren. We wish to convey our sympathy and let them know that Ginie's legacy of work and dedication will long be remembered.

I would like to thank all the members and officers of TEC for their support during the past two years in my efforts as editor of TEC. The excellent and informative articles submitted by each of you made my job much easier. I think most members were enlightened a little more with the information received quarterly in the TEC News. The generosity of the membership to each other and to prospective new members has only helped to increase the membership and their enjoyment of the hobby. (The membership has increased from approximately 280 to over 500 in just two years. At this rate, the TEC is destined for bigger and better things.)

Good luck to Craig Whitford as the new editor of TEC! I'm sure you will receive the support and assistance of the membership as it has been extended to me in the last two years. The TEC News can only get bigger and better!

Thanks, again to each and every one of you. This has been an experience I will treasure for years to come. Jim Singleton,
Editor, TEC

Lais Imogen "Ginnie" Hales Wilkinson, 59, of Metairie, Louisiana, died August 31, 1991 from injuries received in an automobile accident near Hattiesburg, Mississippi. Her husband, Don, is currently being treated at East Jefferson Hospital in Metairie.

Ginnie was born December 26, 1931 in Logan, Utah, the daughter of H. Lee and Lais Vernon Hales. She is a 1949 graduate of Logan High School. On December 30, 1950 she married Don Alvan Wilkinson, a World War II veteran and recent graduate of Utah State University. Shortly thereafter, he received his commission in the U.S. Army. They moved constantly within the United States and overseas in the following years, expanding their family quickly along the way. The birthplaces of their five children - Kansas, Virginia, California and Germany - identify only some of the places they were stationed during this period of her life.

Establishing a well-run and comfortable home at every stop, consistently providing an accepting and nurturing environment for her family and many friends, and graciously performing the myriad of obligations of an officer's wife, however, were not her only focus. She also managed to find the time to perform community service work, pursue her lifelong love of literature and music, and never hesitated to try something new.

In 1977, after 30 years of service, they retired from the Army. Don immediately accepted a position with the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) and they transferred to Metairie, LA. The next 14 years were filled with children's wedding plans and the arrival of their ten grandchildren, all of which overloaded an already full schedule of professional and social obligations.

After her husband's 1988 retirement from DOE, they both became confirmed coin aficionados and soon were immersed in this most fascinating of avocations. They were particularly drawn to the elongated coins, a specialized division of numismatics. Of course, her skills were put to good use when she accepted the demanding job of Secretary in The Elongated Collectors (TEC) national coin organization. These were expansive years for Ginnie as she reveled in the joy of her family's growth and love, the satisfaction she received performing her TEC duties and her lively interaction with a large circle of friends.

She is survived by her husband of 40 years, Don of Metairie, LA; three daughters and two sons: DawnAnn W. Spittle of Union City, CA; James Neal Wilkinson of Lubbock, TX; Linda W. Eckenrode of Williamsport, PA; Robert Osborn Wilkinson of Tulsa, OK; Karen Lee Bell of Herndon, VA; and ten grandchildren. Also surviving are four sisters and two brothers.

Family and friends are invited to attend the wake scheduled to begin at 4 pm on Friday, October 18, 1991 and funeral services on October 19th at 11 am. Both will be held at Cutler's Funeral Home, 1104 Indiana Avenue, LaPorte, Indiana, her husband's hometown. Mrs. Wilkinson will be buried in Door Village Cemetery immediately following the funeral. Memorial donations may be made to the American Heart Association.

Her legacy - a life devoted in service to others - will live on in the hearts of all who knew her.

TEC MEMBER #37
By Allen Curtis TEC 1442

A little over a year ago I purchased a number of TEC related elongateds. The most intriguing among them were TEC membership elongateds for the years 1967 and 1968. Both were counterstamped with the member's number 37 on their reverses. The 1967 specimen was rolled on a dime and the 1968 on a cent. They are listed in Angelo Rosato's book, Encyclopedia of the Modern Elongated, as DOW-127 and DOW-158. Angelo had much to say about these Dottie Dow productions. The following paragraphs are taken directly from Angelo's remarkable book:

"DOW-127 TEC - 1967

Design: The Elongated Collector's emblem. A membership card with club's name TEC within an elongated and ribbon area. - Artist's bird symbol, at lower left. Below; 1967. Initials DD, lower right. - First of a progressive single die variety. (See DOW-158, 198). Dotted border. CLOSED die.

The miniature bird, a stylistic rendering of the 'Owl of Athena', is presented on this issue as the trademark, or symbol of the artist-designer, Mr. Norman Nixon.

The design for this issue is the first emblematic elongated produced designating the official symbol of The Elongated Collectors (TEC). This specimen was the forerunner of the many elongateds yet to come in later years as membership cards. The owl design is fashioned from an idea which features a representation of the owl of the ancient Athens coinage.

In early 1967, members of TEC, which had grown to 182 collectors, were offered this issue on a cent or dime. The pair were sold for \$1.50 to members only. On the reverse side, the member's number was counterstamped prior to rolling which shows the membership numerals slightly incised after rolling.

It was originally announced that only 250 specimens would be made on the cent. For those who wished the companion dime elongated, had to place a special order for them in advance. It was never established if the matching dime issues reached that of the cent pieces. TEC did, however, give notice in April of 1967, that if enrollment did not attain a membership of 250 by year's end, the cent pieces would be destroyed. It was further disclosed that all members who did not order their numbered elongated, these would be auctioned off and proceeds to remain with TEC.

DOW-158 TEC - 1968

Design: Same die as DOW-127, except die re-engraved changing the date to 1968 below emblem, and adding word MEMBER above. - 2nd progressive single die variety. (See DOW-198). Dotted border. CLOSED die.

The original die for this issue (see DOW-127), was returned to the engraver for a new date change. The last digit of 1967 was to be re-engraved with a figure 8 to make up the 1968 membership card. However, due to an engraver's error and after removing the original numeral 7, a second numeral 7 was added, making it a '7 over 7'. Noting the error, the producer immediately returned the die back to the engraver and the

year-date was corrected. A close observation of this issue will show an entire year-date change, and is shifted to the right.

In receiving the above information, no mention was made as to whether any of the '7 over 7' specimens were rolled. The report indicated the die was returned for correction soon after noting the error. The reverse side of each specimen was pre-counterstamped with membership numbers prior to rolling. These were distributed to paid up members for 1968."

I had learned much from Angelo, but I still wondered "Who is TEC Member #37?" Among TEC literature that I have collected I found an Oct. 31, 1968 membership list. There #37 was listed as MARIE TRINNY. From reading back issues of TEC NEWS I was able to put together an interesting biography of Marie Trinny as an exciting, active, contributing, and outstanding member of TEC. After my reading I was inspired to write to Mrs. Trinny of my purchase and in return received a congenial reply.

Now, I wonder whether Dottie Dow has hidden somewhere in her records answers to:

- 1) How many, if any, of the original DOW-127 cent specimens were destroyed?
- 2) How many of the DOW-127 dimes were rolled?
- 3) How many of the DOW-158 cents were rolled?
- 4) Were any "7 over 7" specimens rolled and if so, how many?

New to me "Unlisteds" continue to turn up:

PEN-SCE 7, obv.-Same as PEN-SCE 2; rev.-Centered on coin, a small version of the Masonic Lodge symbols, similar in respect to those shown for the SOC m.o. series nos. 3-4-5 in Martin-Dow. Convex over top point of said symbol/F.& A.M.?. No border-sm. hole at 12-probably rolled-out on a cent.

R.I. xxx1 (Rhode Island) Note: Complete revision of explanation, as written up in previous issue of TEC News. I.D. No. changed from Simul. 22 to R.I.xxx1. Add at bottom of page 147 - Martin-Dow. Appears to be rolled out on a large U.S. 1¢ piece. Rolled horiz. with rope border, and small at 9.

Convex around top edge of coin/Pilgrim Monument/. At center of coin, a tall vertical monument, top separating the upper wording. At right side background view, a large schooner type vessel. Top of center mast touches right leg of second "M" in monument. Two flying birds depicted at left of left sail, and two flying birds depicted at right of right sail. Waves shown all around ship with shrubbery shown at shore line. At left side background view, a large anchor with roping attached depicted, slanted to left at 45'. One flying bird to left of anchor, and two flying birds to right of anchor. Waves depicted under and around said anchor. Large mass of shrubbery depicted at shore line under anchor. Shrubby at left and right sides split by concave word at the bottom edge of coin. /Provincetown/Billowy clouds depicted in sky background area

Dear Editor:

At the 100th Anniversary Convention of the A.N.A. in Chicago during August it was clear that the T.E.C. booth was one of the most active places along the midway. The officers and members of T.E.C. that worked the booth at the covention demonstrated not only a great love of collecting elongated coins, but they also displayed a great love and concern for children and getting them involved in the hobby. Because of the warmth and attention given to the children that showed an interest in elongated collecting an eleven year old girl, Laura Mooberry, had an experience at the 100th A.N.A. Convention that she will never forget.

Laura's older sister had been collecting commemorates coins for years and was planning on exhibiting at the ANA convention. Laura wanted to exhibit also, but what. The only coins that Laura had were twenty to thirty elongated coins that she had purchased at some local coin shows. She decided to exhibit elongateds. After finding out that Ray Dillard rolled the elongated coins for the Elgin Coin Club that Laura was a member of, she wrote Mr. Dillard. From communications with him, Laura found our about T.E.C. and joined. She sent to the A.N.A. to get all four of the books on elongated coins from the A.N.A. library. As she gained knowledge about elongated coins, she purchased more coins and worked on her exhibit for the 100th A.N.A.

At the T.E.C. 25th Anniversary meeting in Chicago, Laura was able to meet the officers of T.E.C. and so was pleased when she left the meeting with all her purchases from the club's auction. She is also excited about the dies that she purchased at the meeting.

Her exhibit entitled, "A Look At Elongated Coins" placed third in the error and varities division. She was so excited about recieving the plaque and ribbon, but not as excited as when she received the T.E.C. Presidential Merit Award from Mr. Dillard. This award is something that she will always treasure.

I want to thank all the T.E.C. members that took the time to be so friendly, not only to my daughter, but to all the convention visitors, young and old alike. Also I want to thank all "the old time collectors" that have sent Laura some of the coins they have rolled in the past. The next twenty-five years of T.E.C. can do nothing but get better with the fine people that are involved in this organization. It is so rare to find an organization that has so many warm and friendly people, but T.E.C. and done it. Thanks again for making the 100th A.N.A. Convention such a great experience for so many people.

Sincerely,

Brian Mooberry
Brian Mooberry

THE ELONGATED COLLECTORS
TREASURER'S ANNUAL REPORT

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AUGUST 24, 1990 TO AUGUST 1, 1991

OPENING BALANCE AUGUST 24, 1990 \$3,091.10

RECEIPTS: \$7,575.52

DUES; COINS AND BADGE SALES; VIDEO
TAPE RENTALS; 2X2 SALES; BANK ACCT.
INTEREST; MEMBERSHIPS LIST SALES;
TEC NEWS ADS; DONATIONS.

EXPENDITURES; \$7,558.37

TEC QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER, ANA CONVENTION
SPECIAL NEWSLETTER; PRESIDENT, SECRETARY,
TREASURER AND BOARD EXPENSES; UPS, POSTAGE;
COINS, RIBBONS AND ENGRAVING FOR COINS AND
BADGES; PATRON SUPPORT OF DALLAS & 1991 ANA
CONVENTION, 1991 MEMBERSHIP AND 1990 TEC
NEWSLETTER AWARD COINS; ANA CHICAGO CONVENTION
BOOTH.

CURRENT BALANCE AUGUST 1, 1991

\$3,108.25
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DON A. WILKINSON
TEC TREASURER

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"CLEAN UP THIS ROOM AUCTION-SALE"

Bidding closes October 25, 1991. No minimum - Highest bid wins.

Elongated Coins

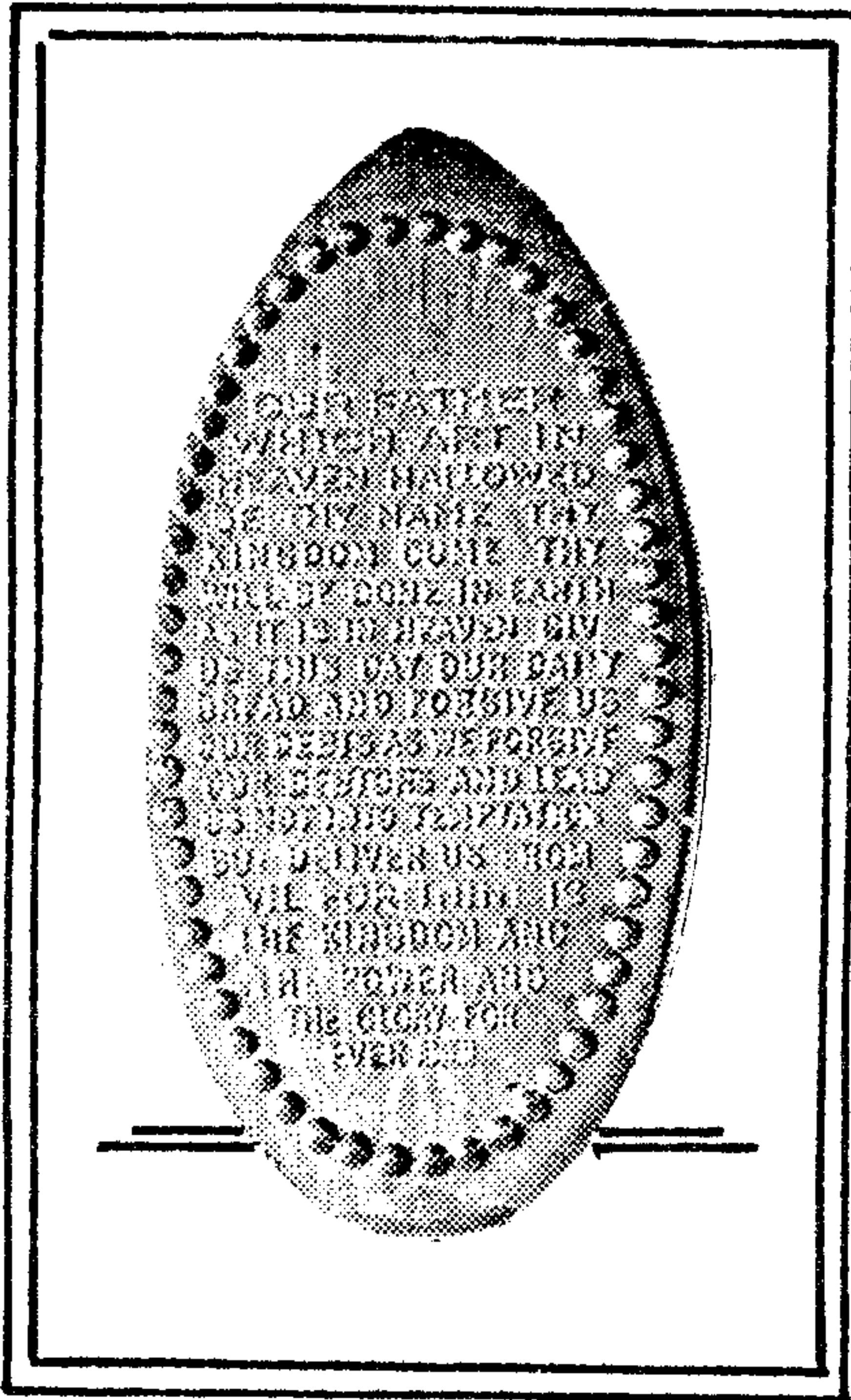
1. American Indian Village - Chicago World's Fair. Book value \$3.00 - \$6.00.
2. Century of Progress 1933 Chicago World's Fair. Value \$20.00 - \$35.00.
3. Hall of Science World's Fair 1833 Chicago 1933
4. Oregon 100th Anniversary 1859-1959
5. Dells of the Wisconsin River - Stand Rock - on Indian cent.
6. Seattle World's Fair Century 21
7. Worthy Coin Company on Buffalo nickel - Only 50 made.
8. ANA Convention Badge - Enameled 1990. (on quarter)
9. ANA Convention Badge - (not enameled) 1988 (on quarter)
9. Yesterday's Elongateds by Martin & Dow (hardcover).
10. Today's Elongateds by Lee Martin (hardcover).
11. 100 different elongated cents
12. 50 different elongated cents.
13. 100 different error or mis-strike elongated cents.
14. 500 different error or mis-strike elongated cents.
15. 1000 different error or mis-strike elongated cents.
16. 100 Santa or Rudolph 1990.

Add \$2.50 per bid for shipping and insurance.

Send bid to James Singleton, Jr., P.O. Box 41, Hugheston, WV 25110

ORIGINALS VS RE-ROLLS

-- by Angelo A. Rosato --



In several of the overviews in my book, the *ENCYCLOPEDIA OF THE MODERN ELONGATEDS*, there are numerous detailed accounts and observations made referring to replicas, reproductions, look alike, and copies. A review of the chapter will make it unnecessary to explain here the various interpretations that separate each of the categories.

Unfortunately re-rolled productions have occasionally been confused as "copies" or as "non-originals." As annotated and greatly emphasized in my book, a lapse in time does not constitute elongateds as copies of the initial or any other former subsequent production runs. Any specimen rolled at any time after a previous issuance is no more than a duplicate; the very same as the first, provided there were no alterations to the die: It's that simple!

In order to understand and define what exactly is a "re-roll," one has to analyze what exactly is an "original." As mentioned, "time span" is the only condition that separates the two. For all intended purposes, each is the same in every detail whether it be an introductory specimen (so called "original") or one re-rolled hours, days, weeks, or years later. If, in the interim however, there are slight variants, such as re-engravings or slight blemishes, these then are to be considered a new variety: an example will follow shortly.

The quandry over re-rolls had a frustrating effect with the newly founded interest in elongated coin collecting in the early 1960s. For some it was not a frivolous matter. The apprehensions were mostly the result of re-rolls being sold as "originals." It was a situation very much as that of the so called "unlisted" as annotated in my article in the previous *TEC* news. Depicted as originals, they were purchased or sold at a much higher price. The inflated price was obviously unjustified. When an elongated is identified as a re-roll it must be considered as a rolling from an exsisting original die. Therefore, any specimens from former rollings should not bring about higher prices!

Recently, interested in the Lord's Prayer elongateds (both in the oldies and moderns), I was successful in a mail bid. The elongated was listed in my book as MIS-6. And because it was not listed in Dow's first book, it has since been listed in the revised book by Martin/Dow as LPdbHDPG-9. Upon the acquisition I quickly noted it to be a re-roll. It was rolled on a 1965 cent. Further study, however, revealed it to be an unlisted re-roll. The 4 dots in the dotted border at the very bottom were partially

obliterated to create a better start-slot. As a happy find, the unlisted piece will be listed as MIS-6a in a future supplement (see illustration). - Incidentally, the bid price paid was fair (75¢).

In order to place some justification about the re-roll altercations, there must be a discussion concerning both price and when the issue was first introduced. Since space is of essence for TEC News articles, more will be said in forthcoming newsletters. Meanwhile, and not to belabor a point, the fact must again be stressed that all elongateds, no matter when rolled, are true originals. - If any member who has not ordered a copy of the ENCYCLOPEDIA OF THE MODERN ELONGATED, you may order at a discount savings of \$40 off the list price. See order details in the classified ad elsewhere in this newsletter. My book annotates almost 100 re-rolled specimens. Tragically, dealers are listing many of these same production pieces and treating them as specimens rolled prior to the modern era. Asking prices range from a few dollars per and up to \$35. - As a collector, are you aware of the originals as to those re-rolled?

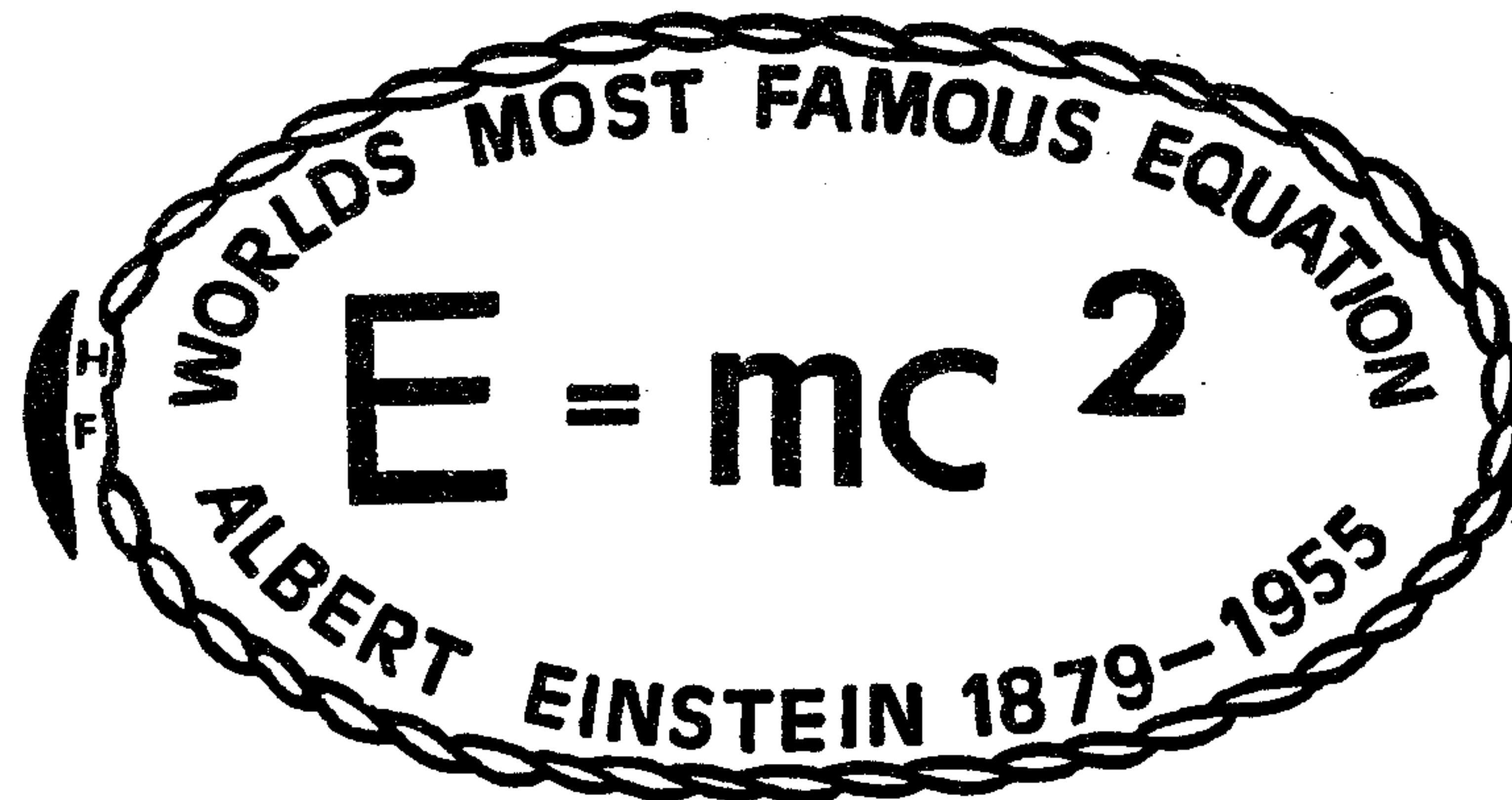
There is no way of knowing what happened to the hundreds of dies employed for the fabrication of elongated coins before World War I. Re-rolls made their very first appearance in 1962 when Ray Loutzenhiser at Yakima, Washington became the owner of several older dies (RES-14,16,22,34,50,60,64). Loutzenhiser did not, however, offer many of the elongateds from those dies because he felt most of them to be obsolete, but a few did reach a handful of collectors as illustrated in Fig. 275 in my book on page 221.

In the late 1950s several die hubs made by Charles F. Damm were obtained by Charles H. Lipsky at Galesburg, Indiana. Lipski secretly re-rolled hundreds of specimens from the dies. Inconspicuously, the rollings were released and they were quietly distributed by Charles R. Mullin from Staten Island, N.Y. Mullin did not publicize the elongateds as re-rolls. Many were rolled on large cents and early two-cent pieces. With the dies still extant, many of these specimens are being offered as high as \$45. The sad part of this is that the dealers offering them on their listings are not aware themselves that many are re-rolls. Only through the many years of research for my book and the use of same can a collector be certain of his older and some modern acquisitions. -- As a bit of trivia, note the three Charles: Charles the die maker; Charles the re-roller, and Charles the distributor.

There has been enormous condemnation when individuals have paid large sums of money for specimens, only to find out later the dies were never destroyed. Unfortunately, in these instances the value of the elongated must revert to the current market value. For the novice, there is always the risk. The collector must administer caution; the responsibility is their own. The collector should contemplate sensibly on price, and seriously take into account the sources, whether it be dealer or a fellow collector. - There are many other reasons why some collectors persisted over matters of the so-called "original" over those re-rolled. In the next TEC News, I hope to focus on some of those ideas.

AN ALBERT EINSTEIN ELONGATED

by Harry Flower Tec #644



As a tribute to the great physicist, Albert Einstein, this collector has issued the above illustrated elongated. It was rolled on six different coins and on one token.

In addition to elongateds he also collected the coins, medals, plaques, tokens, ingots and paper money that feature the likeness of or has reference to Einstein. This collection was cataloged and described in the article "Numismatic Tributes to Albert Einstein" that was published in THE NUMISMATIST, January & February 1987.

To the writer's knowledge the above new issue is the second Einstein Elongated. The first Einstein Elongated was issued by Elmer Anderson of Warwick, RI in March 1979, F#51.

This new elongated features Einstein's famous equation " $E = mc^2$ " in the center. Curved above within the elliptical chain border is "WORLDS MOST FAMOUS EQUATION" and at the bottom is "ALBERT EINSTEIN 1879 - 1955". On the left just outside the border, are two tiny letters "H" and "F" arranged vertically, the designer's initials.

The equation itself expresses the relationship between mass and energy. In this mass-energy equation " $E = mc^2$ ", "E" represents energy (expressed in ergs) is equal to the mass "m" (expressed in grams) multiplied by " c^2 ", the square of the speed of light (expressed in centimeters per second). As the velocity of light is very great, it is immediately noted that a very small amount of mass is equivalent to an enormous amount of energy. The end result was of course, the development of the atomic bomb and the destruction of Hiroshima and Nagasaki.

The Einstein Equation Elongateds were issued in July 1991, designed by Harry Flower and engraved and rolled by Frank Brazzell.

Mintages and Varieties:

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| 1. | 100 rolled on U.S. | Cents | 1955D |
| 2. | 5 rolled on U.S. | Nickels | 1955 |
| 3. | 5 rolled on U.S. | Dimes | 1955 |
| 4. | 4 rolled on U.S. | Quarters | 1955 |
| 5. | 5 rolled on Israel | 1 Agora | 1975 obverse |
| 6. | 5 rolled on Israel | 1 Agora | 1975 reverse |
| 7. | 2 rolled on Israel | 100 Pruta | 1955 |
| 8. | 2 rolled on Shell Oil Co Tokens | | 1968 F#18 |

An Interesting Observation

By Jack Rosenbluth TEC# 752

Curiosity by definition in the dictionary : having a desire to investigate and learn : inquisitive, prying : strange, unusual : odd, eccentric. The reason I looked this up to see what the dictionary said about this word in particular was due to the regular monthly meeting of the Red Rose Coin Club of Lancaster, Pa. of which I have joined, fairly recently, when another member used this word when looking at a particular elongated coin that was shown by a member who just returned from the ANA convention in Chicago (the 100th). This member does not collect elongated coins but he thought this was such an unusual piece that he had never seen elongated before he just had to add it to the extensive collection of numismatic memorabilia he owns.

Now, just what was that particular elongated coin ? Well it was the 1881 Silver Dollar that our TEC President rolled with the ANA 100th Anniversary logo. This coin peaked the curiosity of so many members that I am hoping to enlist some new members for TEC by giving a talk about elongateds at the next meeting and naturally I will try my best. I had planned to take my copy of this coin along to the next meeting myself but he beat me to the punch. However this will give me an opportunity for a second shot at presenting elongated coins within the same month.

If you are a member of your local coin club and have not yet given a talk on elongated coins why not do so. I find that very few members know much about elongateds and a lot of dealers know even less. It just goes to prove that there is a large segment of prospective people out there in the numismatic environment that can become part of our hobby of collecting elongated coins. GIVE IT A SHOT ? WHY NOT ?

A Proud Presentation

By Jack Rosenbluth TEC# 752

In a few TEC newsletters back this year I wrote about my making an elongated coin for the Springettsbury Township Centennial at which time I passed on the information about how you could obtain one for your collection and from the two gentlemen that took care of the distribution of them have been advised that many orders did come from out of state so they surmise that this was the result of my writing it up in the newsletter and sending it in to the Numismatic News and Coin World. If you were one of those you now own one of a sold out limited edition. It was my pleasure as a member of the Centennial Committee to present two of the elongates mounted in a framed certificate of thanks for the help given by our Congressman Bill Goodling (R-PA). Yes, it was a proud presentation.

WELCOME and THANK YOU

By Jack Rosenbluth TEC# 752

I as one member of TEC would like to take this opportunity to welcome all those new members to TEC. I truly trust that each of you will enjoy the collecting of elongated coins and the history behind the many that were made a long time ago and the many fine ones that are made today.

Now for the thank you part. I would offer on behalf of myself and all the TEC members a BIG THANK YOU to all our officers from the top of the list to the bottom for another great year for our club. You all have done an outstanding job and deserve a round of applause and a here, here, which I offer on behalf of myself and my fellow members. The year 1991-1992 I am sure will be another great year for TEC and I am proud to be a member of the club.



The 1991 Badge, pictured here, was issued in two varieties. The regular issue, rolled on a clad quarter, selling for \$5.00 each, and the enameled issue, rolled on a silver quarter, selling for \$20.00 each. Both hang from a ribbon. The regular issue was limited to 100 and the special enameled issue was limited to advance orders of 49. The regular badges are still available. The enameled badges are sold out.

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The official ANA Convention design. It was rolled on pennies, nickels, dimes, quarters and half dollars. Plus, customers' pocket change at the convention.

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The TEC Convention free hand-out coin was rolled on pennies from a smaller version of the TEC badge design and with a different border. It was also rolled on nickels, dimes, quarters and half dollars.

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The following coins were designed for the TEC members...



The Presidential Merit Award coin was rolled on silver quarters with a serial number on the reverse. (Only 50 issued.)

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The Newsletter Article Award coin will be rolled on nickels and presented to eligible members after the end of 1991.

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The 1992 Membership coin will be rolled on pennies and presented to each member with their 1992 dues card.

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This die was engraved in error giving us two membership coins for 1991. It will be offered to members only who order a copy of the ANA Convention issue of TEC News at \$2.00 per copy. A TEC hand-out coin will also be included. (Order from the Secretary.)

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Official ANA Convention elongated coins - All were available at the TEC Booth. Or may be ordered while supply lasts from the Secretary. Available are:

Regular TEC Convention badge - limited number - \$5.00
 Convention Sets (5 coins) \$6.00 + \$1 postage - \$7.00
 ANA - TEC Convention coin 50¢ = SASE
 TEC hand-out coin sets \$6.00 + \$1.00 postage - \$7.00

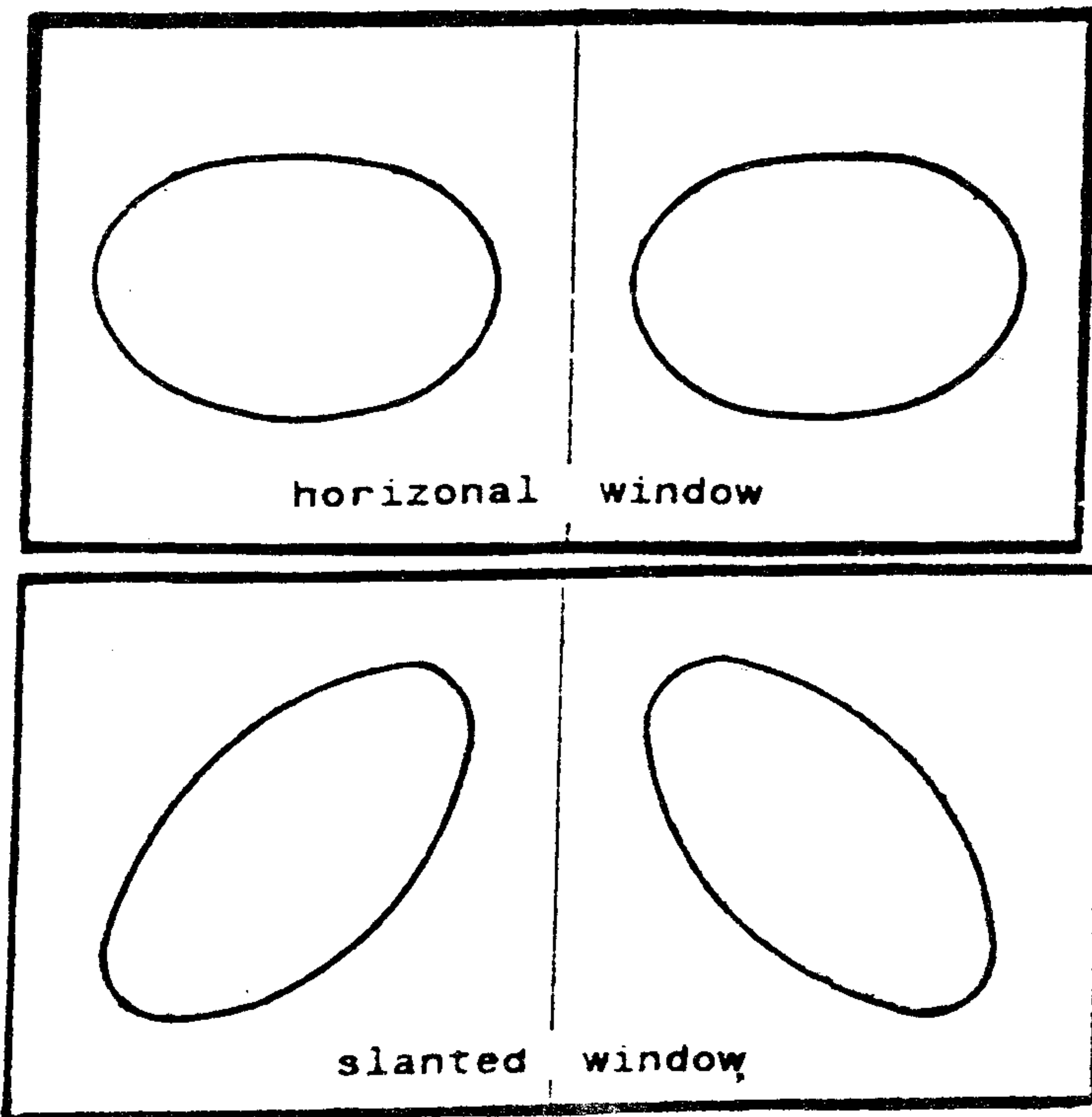
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TEC 2x2's FOR SALE

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Your club has special high quality 2x2 elongated coin holders for sale. There are two types, the slanted window and the horizontal window type, both available in white only. Be certain to specify which window type you want. Prices include postage prepaid. (Non-US addresses please add extra for postage.) Make checks payable to TEC. Send orders to: Ray Dillard, P.O. Box 161, Fenton, MI 48430.

100 for \$3.50; 500 for \$16.50; 1000 for \$30.00



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Video Tape Rental Program: "The Elongated Collectors" and Making a Steel Die" are available. The rental price for both is \$10.00 plus the cost of return postage. Address request to Ray Dillard, P.O. Box 161, Fenton, MI 48430

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For sale - Elongated cent for 75¢ and elongated brass token for \$1.25 each, plus SASE. Commemorate TEC 25th anniversary and ANA 100th. Available from Ginnie Aldridge, 515 Pinehurst Ave., Colonial Heights, VA 23834

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ANA 100th Anniversary logo rolled on 100 year-old silver dollars. (Sold-out and die cancelled.) 1991 half-dollars will be rolled from the cancelled die. They will sell for \$5.00 each postpaid. Only enough will be rolled to cover advance orders. Order from Ray Dillard, P.O. Box 161, Fenton, MI 48430

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ANA Diamond Jubilee elongated coins by Ralph Jones (25 years old). Nice companion with the 100th anniversary coins. Copper cents 50¢ each, steel cents 75¢ each. Both for \$1.00 plus SASE. Ray Dillard, P.O. Box 161, Fenton, MI 48430

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Custom designed Christmas Card with elongated coin attached, including envelope. 50¢ each plus a large SASE or \$6.00 per dozen, postpaid. Ray Dillard, P.O. Box 161, Fenton, MI 48430



FREE: Elongated cent commemorating the 55th wedding anniversary of Fritz and Hy Brown. Write: Hy Brown, P.O. Box 1269, Mentor, OH 44061. Please include a SASE.

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For Sale: Elongated rolling machine - used. Contact Nicholas DiFranco, 2508 Mahaila Cr., Henderson, NV 89014

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Wanted: Enameled SILVER convention badges. All years! Please leave private message to Sysop, NumisNet (301-498-8205, 300-2400 baud); or write, with prices to: Larry Mitchell; P.O. Box 5100, Laurel Centre Station, Laurel, MD 20726. Thanks!

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One copy of A.A. Rosato's "Encyclopedia of the Modern Elongated".
\$75.00 plus book-rate postage as shown on package when delivered.
Send no money! "Doug" Fairbanks, Sr., TEC #623, 5937 Beadle Drive,
Jamesville, N.Y. 13078-9534

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Wanted: Anything relating to Hawaii. Top prices paid. 25 years experience. Gary Alan Tanaka, 420 Waiakamilo #201, Honolulu, HI 96817

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Cash paid for 24,504 tokens and medals in 1990. Many more needed in 1991. Check our high buying prices. Bill Williges, Box 1245, Wheatland, CA 95692

NEW BOOK: TEC members can still buy the 1769 page ENCYCLOPEDIA OF THE MODERN ELONGATED by Angelo A. Rosato at \$40 off the original list price of \$129.95. - Everything you ever wanted to know about elongateds with over 4000 illustrated modern elongated coins never listed elsewhere. Send \$89.95 plus \$7.50 for UPS S/H - P.O. Box send \$9.50 - FREE BONUS GIFTS valued over \$25 (NOTE: to receive your bonus, a copy of this ad must be sent with your order) - ANGROS PUBLISHING 70 GROVE ST., NEW MILFORD, CONN. 06776

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SALE - ELONGATED ROLLING MACHINE Custom made. Aluminum stand and platform. Ready to be set up in business. Has over \$400.00 worth of accessories. Has a box to carry the head and also an umbrella plus a lot of advertizing signs. 4 dies included are: My Lucky Penny, Farmers Feed the World, I Love You and Unicorn. Asking \$2200.00. Contact by writing Mark Simmons, 97 Beverly Place, Xenia, Ohio 45385, or phone: 1-513-376-1504.

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Collecting Elongates

I have been an avid coin collector for over 30 years, and I regret to say I didn't pay attention to elongates.

Then, a couple of years ago, Jim Singleton did an elongate of the U.M.W.A. Centennial that caught my eye. He sent an application for TEC (along with my order), which I put in my files. Then, Don Wilkinson came out with his Desert Storm elongates. As a Vietnam Veteran, I very much appreciated this elongate. I realized that the elongates are not just a flattened penny, but an expressed view, an expressed event, and remembrance - and a lucky piece.

I got out my application and joined TEC and opened a whole new world to collecting. I wish to thank Jim and Don for introducing me to elongated collecting and other members for their encouragement and support.

Thank you!

Larry D. Aucutt, #1663

I am 11 years old and this year was my first year to be at the ANA summer convention. It was very overwhelming, but I really enjoyed it! I want to go to Florida for the convention again next year!

I did an exhibit on elongated coins and received a third-place plaque and ribbon. I was really excited! When I went to the TEC meeting I met some very nice people and got a lot of stuff, which was really fun!

This was the most fun and exciting thing that I did this summer! I'm glad I was there! Thanks, everyone, for making it so great!

Sincerely,

Laura Mooberry

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